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All ſhould well know the talents they poſſeſs:
To ſtrive to make them more, will make them leſs.
GARTH's Diſpenſary.

To the ancient and honourable Society of Grub-ſtreet.

THOMAS TRIM of the Middle Temple, Eſq; humbly complaining, ſheweth, that he the ſaid THOMAS being enter'd of the Society aforeſaid, by the ſole authority of an obſtinate and covetous father, and ſore againſt his own inclinations, he having at all times manifeſted an utter contempt of ſtudy and induſtry, and a genius ſuited to the moſt polite education and accompliſhments; yet does, by the cruelty aforeſaid, ſuffer extreamly both in his reputation and figure in the world: inſomuch, that notwithſtanding he has, for the ſpace of three years laſt paſt, with the utmoſt caution, avoided the leaſt application to, or appearance of buſineſs; and at the ſame time moſt diligently ſtudy'd all the modes, faſhions, and gallantries of the beau-monde, to his very great and extraordinary expence in powder, chair-hire, chocolate, plays, operas, maſquerades, and all manner of ſubſcriptions whatſoever, not to mention wheys, phyſick, fees, &c. yet does he find, by daily experience, to his inexpreſſible mortification, and ſorrow of heart, that it is impoſſible for him to get over the prejudice and imputation of a Profeſſion, but that he muſt always continue to be eſteemed, treated, and conſider'd as a LAWYER, upon all occaſions, and in all places, except the Courts of Juſtice, and the Temple aforeſaid. —— And that the weight of this grievance may appear in its true light, he humbly begs leave to lay before you a few only of the inconveniencies that ariſe from the ſame.

The firſt is, that he having by the methods, and at the expence aforeſaid, purchaſed and acquired a very large acquaintance, yet cannot continue the ſame, without ſubmitting to the vileſt indignities, and allowing the greateſt diſparities between himſelf and his ſaid acquaintance; inſomuch, that Sir FOPLING FLUTTER (tho' otherwiſe his very good friend) will never admit of his having the leaſt taſte in dreſs, notwithſtanding that he has, for many months paſt, at his own inſtance and recommendation, uſed his the ſaid Sir FOPLING's own taylor, peruque-maker, &c. Nor dares your poor Petitioner mention the leaſt amour, intrigue, or ſo much as the dreſs, equipage, or name of any perſon of quality, (tho' very well verſed in all thoſe circumſtances) in the preſence of WILL. COURTLY; altho' he, your Petitioner, is the heir to a very conſiderable eſtate; and the ſaid WILL. only ſecond Son of a neighbouring Gentleman, and at preſent in a very low ſtation about the Court. And your Complainant further ſaith, that altho' he the ſaid Sir FOPLING FLUTTER, WILLIAM COURTLY, Eſq; and all his faſhionable friends, do very frequently meet at his apartments, and are there entertain'd with Claret, Burgundy, &c. yet neither they, nor any of them, will ever uſe any other phraſe, than that they are come to *joy!* with him about the Temple, for variety; which is the more grievous to your Petitioner, in that he knoweth, and is very well aſſured, that they, and every of them, do very frequently ſlink from the Drawing-room to ſup on a ſingle diſh of chocolate.

Secondly, this Complainant ſaith, that whereas he has, during his abode here, been very careful to avoid the uſe of the words, *Chambers*, *Laundreſs*, or any other technical or vulgar phraſe, that might betray the leaſt air of the Society; yet he, having ſome time ſince bought ſome lace, for which he had no ſort of occaſion, from DOLLY OGLE in Pall Mall, and at the ſame time deſiring ſhe would bring that and ſome more to him to the Temple, and that he would be ſure to be at home; ſhe very pertly reply'd, that what he had bought ſhould be delivered ſafely to his Clerk.

Thirdly, this Complainant farther ſaith, that not only being thus excluded from all lace-chambers, tiring-rooms, and expoſed to the contempt of all, —— of what denominations ſoever; which is not only hard in itſelf, but alſo very inconvenient, in that he is at much expence in vindicating his own honour and gallantry, and convincing them of their miſtake; but

Fourthly, that he is utterly undone and ruin'd, in being totally excluded from the leaſt hope of favours from the Ladies of better figure, merely from his ſituation and circumſtance. In proof of which, this Complainant is ready to depoſe and make oath, that within theſe three years laſt paſt, above thirteen hundred Women of better faſhion, maids, wives, and widows, have received favourable impreſſions of his dreſs, perſon, and parts, and look'd a full approbation of the ſame, until all his hopes were ſucceſſively blaſted, and all that kindneſs turn'd into contempt and indifference, by the mere ſound of the ſingle word *Templer*: which word this Complainant believes to be of the Cabaliſtical ſort, and to have an effect the very reverſe of thoſe charms of old, ſo famed for creating love and eſteem; becauſe that no woman ever yet granted him any favour under that character, except once a fat City wife, who offered to treat him from a maſquerade, and who, this Complainant verily believes, did, from the feigning his voice, miſtake him for an Iriſhman.

The premiſſes being tenderly conſider'd, this Complainant humbly hopes, that your Society will lay out ſome part of your wit, and learning, in the redreſſing his grievances aforeſaid, and of thoſe of many others, now in the ſame unhappy circumſtances. And it may be worth your greateſt care to correct thoſe diſcouragements to wit and pleaſure, which may drive many hopeful young fellows back to buſineſs and ſeverer ſtudies, and deter them from thoſe courſes which have produced the incomparable J—— M S and

May 24, 1731. *Your Petitioner, &c.*

Moſt profound Sir, *May* 12, 1731.

YOUR Correſpondent from *Caermaraden* entertained me very much laſt week with his curious Extracts of *Britiſh Antiquities* from a book entituled *Cyf re- ith- jeu*, &c. *ſeu Leges Wallicæ*, printed in your 70th *Journal*. I don't doubt but ſeveral of your Readers are ſtill in ſuſpence, whether he was in earneſt or not; and might believe that the ancient ſtatutes he quoted were as much the effects of mere imagination, as the ſtudies at *Laputa*. But having ſince had the curioſity to look into thoſe laws, I can aſſure them, that they are genuine; and do own, that I am as much ſurpriz'd at the man, as at the *noble ſimplicity of the manners of his anceſtors*. What could induce him to revive the memory of thoſe laws, which notwithſtanding their publication, were only in the hands of a few Antiquaries, and in a fair way of being forgotten? 'Tis the diſtinguiſhing character of a *true Briton* to be extreamly jealous of the honour of his Country, and to publiſh nothing that would derogate from the dignity of his Prince. But this is, in my opinion, a very different behaviour: 'tis being a little too free with Majeſty, to let every one know what paſſed between a *King and his ſervants for his private amuſement*; or to give an *exact liſt of the perquiſites of all his Miniſters*. For my part, had I been deſcended from the *primitive Antiquity* of that nation, or obtain'd the greater honour of repreſenting any part of it in Parliament, I would have humbly deſired leave to bring in a Bill, not to repeal, but to aboliſh all the laws of that country before the time of HENRY VII. or if ſuch a Bill had met with too great an oppoſition from the *lovers of law in an unknown tongue*, it might have been eaſy to have laid a great penalty upon tranſlating them; the Records being preſerved entire, to be conſulted only on ſpecial occaſions. The tranſlating, or rather exporting laws in a foreign language, is carrying off the wiſdom of a nation, to the great detriment of the inhabitants; 'tis letting their neighbours into all their ſecrets of Government, which may ſometimes turn to their diſadvantage. This Gentleman however, ſeems to excuſe his own conduct in this particular, by ſaying, that theſe conſtitutions were originally of our own growth, and therefore there could be no inconvenience in communicating them again to us: but his proof of this is, what is generally eſteem'd of the moſt ſuſpicious ſort, only the authority of a dedication. Nor does even that evidence ſpeak full to this point: for it is not there ſaid, that *the body of the Welſh laws is derived from the Saxons*, but only the *moſt conſiderable part of them*. *Wallorum Principes primas & præcipuas juris dicundi formulas à Saxonibus derivaſſe*. The Welſh Princes might have had ſome regard to the examples of the Saxons, in making laws; the principal methods of adjuſting property, and puniſhing criminals, might be taken from them; without ſuppoſing that there was *nothing in the Britiſh laws ſtrictly and peculiarly their own*. And I am rather inclined to be of this opinion, becauſe I find the ſame Author expreſſing himſelf more diſtinctly in the preface upon this ſubject. After pointing out ſome Welſh conſtitutions, that were probably taken from their neighbours, he adds, *Hæc autem non ideo à me dicta eſſe velim, quaſi univerſa legum Wallicarum capita & proceſſus aut à Saxonum aut Normannorum moribus compoſita & deſcripta exiſtimaverim: nonnulla proculdubio à veteribus patriæ inſtitutis profluxere, quæ ante legem latam juris vigorem habuerunt.* And I am willing to believe, that the *privilege of ſcratching the King's feet*, and *enjoying the remains of his toaſted cheeſe*, were of this latter ſort, 'till I ſee ſomething more conſiderable advanced to the contrary: I would not have your correſpondent ſo very modeſt to give up all the laws of his country as if none of them were *originals*.

What particular views the late learned Dr. WOTTON might have in ſtudying the Welſh antiquities, I cannot ſay: but I find, that his genius has enlarged the acquiſitions of his country-men; and ſubdued the only things that were before unconquered by the Engliſh, the laws and language of the Britons. I am, Sir,

Your great admirer, and very humble ſervant,
ANGLO-SAXONICUS.

SIR,

I happen'd to caſt my eye the other day on the two following Advertiſements, in the *Daily Advertiſer*, which, I think, juſtly deſerve to be communicated to the learned world; and therefore I recommend them to a place in your *Journal*. The firſt I cannot but admire for its lofty and heroick ſtyle, and I could almoſt ſwear, that the Author of it is making intereſt to ſucceed our ORATOR, in caſe of mortality; for whoſe place he ſeems to be very well qualified. — As to the Anſwer, there are likewiſe ſome excellencies in it, which might be improved, would the Advertiſer, but now and then, lay out a ſhilling at our *Oratory*: for learning is not to be acquired without *Money*. Yet I muſt inform you, Sir, that I do not ſet up for a Critick in literature: my profeſſion being not to deſtroy men with pen, ink, and paper; but to preſerve them, by the aſſiſtance of a good ſir loin of beef, and the like: the other part I leave to Gentlemen of a more refined genius; and ſhall only deſire, that when you ſend to market, you will be my cuſtomer, as I am now yours.

Clare Market, May 25. M. MARROW-BONE.

Whereas a certain pragmatical, anonymous, blinking dabler in *Romance*, has lately taken into his hand (for brains had nothing to do in the affair) to ſet up for a Biographer, by publiſhing a moſt diſmal, decrepit, one-ey'd rhapſody, under the title of NARZANES, or the *injur'd Stateſman*; in which he has endeavour'd (God bleſs him!) to draw the character of a finiſh'd *Miniſter*; but with ſuch a bungling ſtump, as no *hackneyan* mortal ever ſcribbled with before. And whereas he has on the other hand (after ſharpning his dull inſtrument upon his ſcull) pretended to degrade to an Incendiary, one of the moſt diſtinguiſh'd Patriots and Stateſmen that ever liv'd, under the name of *Euryphax*; aſſerting, that he had employ'd a ſet of villains to fire *Narzanes*'s houſe. For this notorious chimera, a lover of merit, and a particular friend of the Great *Man*, ſo vilely aſpers'd, challenges this ſtupid, mercenary ink-ſlabberer, to meet him in the cellar under Tyburn-houſe, at twelve preciſely on friday night, there to fight with bludgeons and dark lanthorns.

Pall-Mall, May 12, 1731. TOM. THUNDERER.

In a paltry Advertiſement of May 18, ſign'd *Tom Thunderer*, writ with the moſt plebeian virulence, and in a ſtyle the Editor of NARZANES is not acquainted with, and dated from *Pall-Mall* inſtead of *Billingſgate*; the ignominious Advertiſer preſumes to ſneer at one of the greateſt Characters that ever preſided over an Adminiſtration; and at the ſame time endeavours, awkwardly, to defend that of *Euryphax*, and his aſſociates in Mock-patriotiſm: And whereas the ſaid Scribler, out of his profound judgment, was pleas'd to grace the Author of NARZANES with ſeveral opprobrious epithets, unworthy of ſtaining paper; and to challenge him to fight with *Bludgeons* (a weapon that ſhews his education) at midnight, by *Dark Lanthorns*, in the cellar under Tyburn-houſe; this is to inform our empty THUNDERER, that the Editor of *Narzanes* is not afraid of his Bludgeons; but having a juſt apprehenſion of the deſcendants of *Fawkes*, his illuſtrious predeceſſor, whoſe name is immortaliz'd by the *Gunpowder plot*; he did not think it ſafe to meet him at the place he is ſo well ac-

quainted with; but in caſe he dares venture himſelf on Monday next at Mid-day upon *Wimbleton Common*, he there ſhall be treated with the dignity, which ſo excellent a writer, and ſo polite a man deſerves, &c.

Chelſea, May 1. PHILO NARZANES.

I am of opinion, that theſe Advertiſements were written, by the *Hacknevan* Authors of thoſe for Mr. FIGGS's *Great Room*, and Mr. STOKES's *Amphitheatre*.

To Mr. T—s B—f—d, D—p—ty W--d--n of the Fl--t.

DEAR TOM, I thank you for the offer,
You with Attorney's kindneſs proffer:
You've us'd me ill, and now intend,
To uſe me worſe, by way of Friend.
No ſnares ſo dang'rous as thoſe laid,
By friendſhip's ſpecious maſquerade.
But 'tis a Maxim choice and rare,
Of reconciled foes beware.
There's a ſhort Fable, TOM, you know,
Anſwers this moral *à propos*.
A Wolf as ſubtle as a fox,
At a Sow's door, one evening, knocks:
Madam, your Ladyſhip, quoth ſhe,
I hear, has need of Midwifery;
Therefore with joy, I leave my home,
To help you, when your hour is come.
No one in Town is fitter for't;
I've oft deliver'd Sows at Court.
Thank you, dear Madam, quoth the Dame,
Too well I know your ſkill and fame. J. W.

BAVIUS.

DOMESTIC NEWS.

C. *Courant.* | SJ. *S. James's Evening Poſt.*
P. *Poſt-Boy.* | WE. *Whitehall Evening P.*
D P. *Daily Poſt.* | LE. *London Evening Poſt.*
D J. *Daily Journal.* | Cr. *Crafts-man.*
E P. *Evening Poſt.* | F. *Fog's Journal.*

THURSDAY, *May* 20.

The R. Hon. E. Ferrers being appointed L. Lieut. and Cuſtos Rotulorum of the County of Stafford, yeſterday kiſſed his Majeſty's hand. *D P.* —— Hen. d'Arcy, Eſq; is appointed Page of honour to his Majeſty. *P.*

Yeſterday about 100 recuits were ſhipp'd off for his Majeſty's garriſon at Gibraltar. *D J.* —— They are beating up with great diligence for voluntier ſeamen, in the ſuburbs of this city. *S J. L E.*

Robert Bluet of Holcomb-court in Devonſhire, Eſq; a young Gent. of near 2000 l. per ann. hath lately taken holy orders, and is preſented to the Rectory of Berrynarber in the ſame County, upwards of 300 l. per ann. Rob. de Bloet, Biſhop of Lincoln, and L. Chancellor of England in the time of Will. Rufus, was a younger brother to Sir Will. de Bloet, this Gentleman's Anceſtor. *D P.* — Quære, *Whether* Mr. Bluet, *by* taking holy orders, *and commencing* Country Parſon, *will not ceaſe to be* a Gentleman; *or whether his* family, *or his* eſtate, *will preſerve, him from the uſual conſequences of ſuch a* degradation.

Yeſterday the noted Rog. Johnſon, now a priſoner in Newgate, was charg'd upon an Extent for 300 l. for making mould candles in the ſaid goal, and defrauding the King of his duty. *D J.*

Yeſterday morning died, in an advanced age, after a long indiſpoſition, at his houſe near Cavendiſh-ſquare, Capt. Geo. Lloyd, who had been an able and experienced Officer in the Royal Navy for many years. *C.*

Yeſterday the Treaſurer of the Corporation of the charity for relief of the poor widows and children of Clergymen, received from an unknown hand 500 l. *P.*

On monday night, Moll Harvey, alias Mackeig, who lately kept the Blackamoor's-head and Sadlers-arms in Hedge-lane, was retaken at Wapping. She had been ſentenced, laſt Hilary Term, to ſtand in the Pillory, &c. but was reſcued by 30 or 40 of her gang, armed with clubs. She went to Rotterdam, intending to have taken a Tavern; but the Government there, being informed of her exploits in England, ordered her and her Siſter to be put in the Black Liſt; the conſequence of which they fearing would be a commitment to the Raſp or Spin-houſe, came back to England, and for ſome weeks have lurked about Wapping. She was, as uſual, very outrageous upon being taken, and not only beat the Conſtables, but the Juſtice; ſo that they were forced to tie her hands together, and with much difficulty got her to priſon. *D P.*

Some Letters from Paris of yeſterday's Poſt mention Col. Churchill, and take no notice of any illneſs he has had; ſo it's believed the report of his death is a miſtake. *D P.*

'Tis reported, that the Parliament will be called to ſit for the diſpatch of buſineſs, on July 27th next. *S J. L E. C.* 21. —— 'Tis rumour'd, that the Court will ſoon come from Richmond to Kenſington. *L E. C.* 21. — The report of the Parliament being to meet and ſit for the diſpatch of buſineſs on July 27th is, we are certain, without foundation: as is likewiſe that of the Court intending to remove from Richmond to Kenſington. *D J.* 22.

FRIDAY, *May* 21.

On wedneſday night Will. Mackeig, pretended husband of the notorious Moll Harvey, was taken at Wapping, and committed to New Priſon by Juſt. Dennet, on ſuſpicion of robbing on the highway; and was yeſterday morning charged in cuſtody for other offences, by a warrant of detainer, under the hand and ſeal of Sir John Gonſon. —— Yeſterday morning Iſabella Eaton, alias Gwin, Siſter to Moll Harvey, was committed to New Priſon by Juſt. Dennet, for ſeveral offences. —— Moll Harvey, Mackeig, and Eaton, all ſtand indicted for wilful and corrupt perjury *C. P. D J.*

The Squadron now fitting out, to be commanded by Sir Cha. Wager, at preſent conſiſts of the following Ships, viz.

Ships names.	*Capt. names.*	*Bur.*	*Gun.*	*Men.*
2d rate Namure	Falkingham	1567	90	680
3d rates Pr. Amelia	Reddiſh	1353	80	520
Cornwall	L. Forbes	1350	80	520
Norfolk	Roberts	1350	80	520
Berwick	Norbury	1147	70	440
Hamp. Court	L. Beauclerc	1137	70	440
Grafton	Haddock	1133	70	440
Kent	O Brian	1130	70	440
Edinburgh	Sir Ch. Ogle	1119	70	440
Orford	Browne	1098	70	440
4th rates York	Vanbrugh	987	60	365
Canterbury	Hooke	964	60	365
Sunderland	Man	951	60	365
Exeter	Durell	948	60	365
Dreadnought	Gaddis	931	60	365
Portland	Rouzier	772	50	280
Romney	Medley	756	50	280

Yeſterday morning John Shaftoe, Eſq; Member of Parl. for Durham, was married to Miſs Jackſon, only daughter and heir of Tho. Jackſon, Eſq; Town Clerk of this city, a young Lady of great merit and fortune. *P.* 30,000 l. *C.* —— We learn from Newcaſtle upon Tine of the 14th, that on the tueſday before —— Ogle, of Northumberland, Eſq; was married to Mrs. Scourfeild, Relict of Ralph Scourfeild, Eſq; a Lady of 30,000 l. fortune. *D J.*

On wedneſday evening laſt, at the Oratory, Mr. Henley very ingenioutly (and to the great ſatisfaction and pleaſure of all his auditors) prov'd, that there was no ſuch thing in the world as an old man or old woman. *Ibid.* —— *I am told, that* all his auditors *were only a jury of* 12 old women, in Logic, Morals, Rhetoric, Phyſic, Law, &c. *of whom* the youngeſt, *according to his own way of arguing*, were the oldeſt.

Mark Thurſton, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the High Court of Chancery, ſucceeds Fr. Cudworth Maſſam, Eſq; in the place of Accomptant General in the ſaid Court. *D P.*

On monday laſt the Hon. L. Noel Somerſet, brother to his Grace the D. of Beaufort, enter'd the Town of Monmouth, accompanied by above 600 Gentlemen and Freeholders, and was immediately unanimouſly elected a Repreſentative in Parliament for Monmouthſhire. *D J.*

SATURDAY, *May* 22.

On tueſday morning laſt Edw. Hammond, Eſq; Nephew to the R. H. Sir Rob. Walpole, was appointed Foreign Apoſer in the Court of Exchequer. *P.*

Thurſday laſt came on the election for Member of Parl. for Litchfield in Staffordſhire, when Geo. Venables Vernon, of Sudbury in Derbyſhire, was unanimouſly elected: Will. Chetwynd, Eſq; brother to Walter, Eſq; who intended to put up, finding ſome pretended friends had under-hand made intereſt againſt him, and that the returning Officer was intirely in Mr. Vernon's intereſt, declined ſtanding. *D P.*

Thurſday morning Mr. Geo. Lant, Footman to the Princeſs Royal, being under ſome diſorder of mind, ſtabb'd himſelf with a penknife in the belly in ſo deſperate a manner, that it is thought he cannot recover. *C.* Franc. Lant, footman to the Princeſſes, &c. at Kew-Green. *P. C.* A German footman, being in a boat on the river Thames, near Richmond, with a young woman whom he courted, and having ſome words with her, drew a knife out of his pocket and diſmember'd himſelf, and afterwards attempted to cut his throat, but was prevented by the watermen. *D P.* 4 *Ev.* It was done in his own chamber, when no one was near him: he is in a fair way of recovery. *C.* 24. —— *I wonder he ſhould endeavour to* kill, *after he had* cured *himſelf.*

Yeſterday morning died at his houſe in Fetter lane, Jezreel Jones, Eſq; formerly Conſul at Algiers, and for many years Interpreter to the Embaſſadors from thoſe parts. *D P.*

They write from Durham, of the 17th inſtant, that laſt week the felons in the gaol of that city, having by ſome means or other provided themſelves with large oak ſticks, as they were bringing down from the upper gaol to the lower, fell upon the keepers, and would ſoon have diſpatch'd them, if ſome people had not come timely to their aſſiſtance, and over-powered them, which however was not effected without a good deal of blood-ſhed, ſeveral being much wounded on both ſides. This done, the women felons were put into that part where the debtors are confined, and the others into the dungeon, all of 'em in darkneſs; and it is obſervable, that the latter barricado'd themſelves ſo that no body could come near them, and remain'd ſo two days and two nights, without any Suſtenance. The city was in a great uproar on this account, and ſome ſoldiers were placed before the goal, with drawn ſwords, during the ſcuffle, to prevent the felons making their eſcape, but when the letters came away, all was quiet. *D J.*

MONDAY, *May* 24.

Yeſterday the Rev. Dr. Maddox, Clerk of the cloſet to the Queen, preached before their Majeſties, his R. Highneſs the Prince, &c. in the Chapel Royal at Richmond. *C.*

The Commiſſioners for the lottery have ordered a Memorial to be drawn up and preſented to the Treaſury, praying that the ſum of 1500 l. may be iſſued for defraying ſome immediate neceſſary occaſions, as has been uſual in the former lotteries. *D P.*

The Rev. Mr. Morriſon, Lecturer at S. Benedict, vulgarly S. Bennet-Fink, in Threadneedle ſtreet, and one of the Canons of S. Paul's, is preſented by the Dean and Chapter of S. Paul's to the living of S. Bennet Paul's Wharf, vacant by the death of the Rev. Mr. Cook. *Ibid.*

Friday laſt died, in the 45th year of his age, the Rev. Dr. Will. Norton, Preacher of Gray's-Inn, Vicar of Deptford in Kent, and Rector of Wolkern in Hertfordſhire. *C.* —— On ſaturday died Jam. Brown, Eſq; one of the Pages of honour to her Majeſty. *Ibid. P.*

On monday the 31ſt will be played on Kennington-Common, a great cricket match, between London and Sevenoaks in Kent; and at the ſame place, the next day following, will be another match between London and Chelsfield in Kent. *P.*

Saturday night laſt, between 11 and 12, 2 Gentlemen were robbed by 4 Street-robbers in Chancery-lane by the Dead Wall. They took from one of them a ſilver watch, and from the other his watch and cane, and about 20 s and made off undiſcover'd. *Ibid.*

We hear the Author of Chriſtianity as old as the creation, is brought ſo low in a conſumption, that his Phyſicians have preſcribed him as the laſt remedy, aſſes milk and the country air. *D J.* —— *I fear this* preſcription *will have little ſucceſs, it being a change only of* air, *and not of* diet.

TUESDAY, *May* 25.

We hear, that when his Majeſty removes to Hampton-Court, the Theatre in that Palace will be open'd, and Plays acted by the King's Company of Comedians, for the Entertainment of the Royal Family, &c. —— The junior Dutcheſs of Marlborough has hired an apartment in the Court at Richmond for the ſummer ſeaſon. *D P.* —— Mr. Tho. Beaumont is made a Page of the preſence to her Majeſty. *D J.*

Orders are given for the 3 Regiments of Foot-guards, to be in Hyde-park by 5 in the morning on ſaturday next, to appear in their new cloaths, to be reviewed by his Majeſty, &c. *P.*

On friday laſt a fire happened at Ramſey near S. Ives in Huntingtonſhire, which in 2 hours burnt to the ground 80 dwelling houſes, beſides outhouſes, barns, ſtables, &c. *P.* It laid in aſhes that large and populous Town, except 17 houſes. *D P.* 26. About 100 dwelling houſes are burnt down, beſides barns and ſtables. The loſs is computed at above 20,000 l. *P.* 26.

Yeſterday in the afternoon a man jump'd from the draw bridge into the Thames, and it is ſuppoſed, fell on the ſtarlings, which were not cover'd with above 2 feet water, and was drowned: this was done for a wager of half a crown. *D P.*

We learn from Madrid, by letters of the lateſt date, that the Duke of Wharton was then in perfect health. *P.*

By the French Mail arrived on ſunday, came advice of the arrival of a French Eaſt-India Ship at Marſeilles, from India; who gives us certain account of the arrival of all the Engliſh outward bound Ships at their reſpective ports, which ſailed from the Downs, Dec. 13, 1729; and it was expected a Ship would be ready to ſail for England in the middle of December laſt. *C.* By letters from Eaſt-India by a Ship arrived in France, we learn, that no Ship would be diſpatched from thence to England, before January; and that the 2 firſt would be the Cadogan, and the Fordwich. *D J.*

We hear that John Roberts, of Lincoln's-Inn, Eſq; will be made one of the maſters in Chancery in the room of Fran. Cudworth Maſſam, Eſq; deceaſed. *S J.* —— It's ſaid Peter Leheup, Eſq; who is Sir Robert Walpole's Brother's Wife's Siſter's Husband's Brother, will be made Maſter in Chancery. *L E.*

This morning died at her houſe in S. James's Place in S. James's ſtreet, the Dutcheſs de la Force, a French Lady, Grandmother to the preſent D. de la Force a Mareſchal and Peer of France. *S J. L E.* —— On ſunday fortnight laſt died in an advanced age at Barnſtaple in Devonſhire, Sir Nich. Hooper Serjeant at Law. *L E.*

WEDNESDAY, *May* 26.

The removal of the Court from Richmond to Hampton Court, is fixed for the 10th of the next month, and

yesterday the necessary orders were given accordingly, for preparing the Royal Palace for their reception. *C.* —— His Majesty has been pleased to order the proper instruments to pass, for translating the R Rev. Dr. Wilcox, Bishop of Glocester, to the See of Rochester, and Deanery of Westm. in the room of Dr. Bradford, deceased. *P.*

Yesterday the Rev. Mr. Sandford was chosen by the Parishioners Rector of Aldermanbury, in the room of the Rev. Mr. Smith, lately deceased. *D P.* S. Mary Aldermanbury: by a majority of 3 votes. *D J.* For Mr. Sanford 48: for Dr. Middleton 43. *C.*

On monday the noted Moll Harvey made her escape from New-Prison in man's cloaths, and yesterday the Officers of the said goal took the fellow who brought her the cloaths, who on examination discovered where she was; and according to his directions she was retaken at a publick house in S. George's Fields, since which they have clapt a clog to one of her legs, by way of precaution. *C.*

On saturday last the cause of Trinity College, Cambridge, and Dr. Bentley, which has been in agitation for some years, came on in the Court of King's Bench; when, as we are informed, all the four judges declared themselves to be of opinion, that the Lord bishop of Ely is visitor of that college, by virtue of a certain statute given to the same by K. Edward VI. But the Court considering that this is a cause of very great consequence, deferred giving judgment till the beginning of next term.

On saturday last a dunghill adjoining to the stables of the Rev. Mr. Talbot, who keeps an eminent boarding-school at Streatham, burst out in a flame, and caught the stables, but by the timely assistance of the neighbours, the building, which was in great danger, was preserved. *D J.*

From the PEGASUS *in Grub-street.*

Mr. Bavius,

What in the name of wonder do you mean by passing over in silence a celebrated Author, whose constant Productions plainly shew him one of your Society, I mean your laborious Brother *The last Dying Speech*, &c. Surely nothing can excuse you, but the great business you have upon your hands. I therefore beg leave to put the following Query.

Whether by the Ordinary's contracting among other Names, (for which Names no doubt he is paid as usual) the Name of the Devil, thus, D—l, 'tis not probable that the Devil appear'd to him, and satisfy'd him for this favour; otherwise he would not have done it.——I know some are of opinion, that it has been from their frequent intercourse by Correspondence, passing from the former to the latter, that he has written for a long time, as if the D —— l was in him.

Illustrious Grubeans,

AS your Society may for antiquity vie even with the Free Masons, so you may also for number of Members, and a brotherly love to one another. They may boast their Society is built on such solid foundations, that it will last while stone or brick remain: yours will flourish 'till pen, ink, and paper shall lose their different qualities; and Fools shall be no more. Among all the efforts that have been made against you, none ever prov'd more fatal to you, than the late *D.* of Buckingham's *Rehearsal:* it almost ruin'd your Dramatick Party, and in that shock'd your whole constitution. It was not long indeed, (such is the fertile production of *Grub-street*) before you recover'd the blow, and eminently shone with your usual lustre. I am an admirer of your Society, tho' not a Member (unless you'll enroll me for this Letter) yet on hearing there was an humble imitation of the *Rehearsal* to be acted, I was a little allarm'd at the danger of some of your Members; yet I cou'd not think that eminent Member of your Society Seignior Harlequino wou'd be so void of brotherly love, as to consent to any thing against the good of the Society. But ever renowned Grubs, I can't express my joy, on seeing it, when I was not only confirm'd of the sincere attachment and fidelity of Harlequino, but instead of finding something dangerous levell'd against your Society, I was entertain'd with one of the strongest defences of it; nor need *Grub-street* ever fear an enemy, while there is an Author of the *Contrast* to defend it. What honours ought you not to decree to perpetuate his memory, who has made such bold attacks against those formidable enemies, Steel, Congreve, Rowe and the immortal Shakespear, not in the least fearing their wit, nor paying a decent regard to their Manes, and for the latter gives this reason; that *by G —— he hates all Ghosts from the bloody Ghosts in Richard the 3d, to that in Tom Thumb.* In short, my illustrious Sirs, I wou'd earnestly intreat you for the good of your Society, and the honour of such a glorious champion, to espouse his cause, and to shew your brotherly love (after the example of the Free Masons) to appear at his next benefit, in proper habits, where you may be entertain'd to your delight and his Glory. I am, ever Renown'd Sirs,

Hog-Island, Westminster, Your Admirer,
May 7, 1731. Philo Grubstreet.

P. S. Tell Mr. Conundrum I'll send him some new Lincoln's-inn Puns by the Author of the Contrast.

On seeing Mr. C——r's picture, just published.

To Kneller Dryden writes, 'Some bear the rule,
'Thus thou sometimes art forc'd to draw a Fool:
'But so his follies in thy posture sink,
'The senseless Idiot seems at least to think.
But thou, Gibson, with sincerer art,
Hast drawn the Laureate in his noblest Part:
As in his *New-years Ode*, in thy design
The thoughtless Fopling shines in every line.

Edinburgh, May 17. John Campbell, who was executed in the Grass-Market last wednesday, confessed his having forged about 500 of the 20*s.* notes of the Bank of Scotland; also his counterfeiting to the number of 20 half guineas; and that he had gone some length in the counterfeiting the copper coin.—Last week Capt. Cunningham, brother to Sir James Cunningham of Miscraig, was married to the Lady Mary Montgomery, daughter to the late E. of Eglington. *C. P.* 25.

Letters from South-Carolina, dated Ap. 2. say, that there was a perfect harmony between their Governor and Assembly, the latter having fixed a salary on him agreeable to his desire, and done every thing that was asked, being greatly pleased with the change from a dependency on the late Proprietors to his Majesty, who hath purchased 7 8ths of Carolina, which country, being by nature best, no doubt (being freed from the difficulties it labour'd under when belonging to the Proprietors) will soon become the most flourishing of any in America. *D P.*

Extract of a letter from on board the Prince William, *dated at* Porto Bello, *Mar.* 7. —— We arrived here from London Jan. 31, having touched at Carthagena, but finding the Galleons were sailed for this place, we did not stay there 24 hours. It is expected, that the Fair will begin in about a month, (till when we shall not be permitted to sell any goods) and we are in hopes of being in England about October. The people on board us in general, are well; we have buried but 3 persons since we left Portsmouth. *D P.*

Jamaica, Mar, 20. There are 8 companies of soldiers at Port Antonio, to protect the people in settling; and it is likely the runaway Negroes will soon be dispersed. The aforesaid companies have lately taken S. Antonio, 1 of their towns in the mountains, of 140 houses. The officers and soldiers die fast here. *P.* 25.

FOREIGN NEWS.

Thursday, *May* 20.

Paris, May 18. N. S. M. Marechal, First Surgeon to the King, finding that the operation of cutting for the stone the lateral way, did not succeed here as in England; but that most of those who underwent it, were dead of it, has forbid all the Hospitals to make use of that method. *C.*—The difference between the Holy See and Court of Portugal is at last terminated by the promotion of the Abbots Bichi and Count de Almenara to the purple: the former at the Emperor's recommendation, the latter at that of the King of Portugal. *Ibid. D P. D J* —— On the 3d, they received advice by an extraordinary Courier from Naples, that to appease the Janizaries, the Grand Seignior had been obliged to send the *Bailo* (or Ambassador) of Venice, prisoner to the Seven Towers, with all his Domestics. *C. D P. D J.*

Ship news, Cadiz, May 8. As the King now declares he will sign no Treaty, without Gibraltar is delivered up, which G. Britain will hardly part with, but by force of arms; and as the Spaniards works before that place are very forward, it is not improbable but the garrison will soon have orders to fire on them, and put a stop to their progress, before it goes too far. *D J.* We have now the displeasure to find, that the breach is become wider, and rather tending to a rupture so that we are providing against the worst. Last week came down an order for the delivery of the small money, the proprietors obliging themselves to send it within 6 months to the mint-house of Seville, where it is received at the rate of 10 dollars per mark, payable in our current base coin. *P.*—— Our advices just received from Seville, seem to promise affairs taking a more favourable turn. *Ibid. D J.*

Alicant, May 9. All the Factory is now in the utmost confusion, having received a letter this post from Mr. Keen, wherein he orders the Consul to acquaint us, that the affairs between the 2 Crowns are at present in a very critical situation, and recommending us to provide against the worst. *P.*

Extract of a Letter from Will. Hellier, *Master of the* Pentyre of Plymouth, *dated at* Barcelona *May* 1. O. S.—On the 27th ult. about noon, off Altea bay, we saw 3 ships standing in by the wind; one of them hoisted a Jack on his ensign staff, and fired a Gun to Leeward, on which I hoisted our ensign. In 3 quarters of an hour the same ship fir'd two shot at us, but they did not reach above half way. I brought too, and lay by near half an hour, when the same ship came up within musquet-shot, and fired a gun at us; the shot of which came in, and went through the other side, but miraculously miss'd us all. On this, I went on board with my boat, they neither asked me from whence I came, nor where bound, but, what was the reason I did not bring to on their firing the first gun? I answer'd, because at that distance I knew not what they were. They examin'd me very little more, before I was told I might return to my ship; and turning round to that end, 2 lusty men, having each a large rope doubled in their hands, began to beat me with all their might, and continued so doing in a barbarous manner, the Commodore himself being present. They then examined my Papers, after which they sent me on board my own ship. They were Spanish men of war; and the ship in which I was so abused, was called the Andalusia. *D J.*

Friday, *May* 21.

Yesterday arrived the Mail from France.

Madrid, May 8. We have received advice at Cadiz, that 16 millions of Pieces of eight were arrived at Porto Bello from Lima; that the Fair of Porto Bello was to begin Ap. 15. and that they had sold at Cartagena as many merchandizes brought by the Galleons, as amounted to 2 millions of Pieces of eight. *C.*

Rome Ap. 25. We are assured from Vienna, that his Imperial Majesty has obtained from the Czarina leave to erect a Convent of Capuchins in her dominions. —— Prince James Sobieski, having a mind to erect pious schools for the education of youth in his dominions, was vigorously opposed by the petulancy of the Jesuites: upon which he presented a Memorial to the Congregation of Bishops and Regulars here, who forthwith gave him leave to erect as many schools as he pleased. *P.* —— May 1. They write from Benevento, that the Pope's Nuncio at Naples had caused all the effects reckoned to belong to Card. Coscia to be seized and sequestered; but upon due proof that they were vested in the Duke de Coscia's name, he was obliged to restore them. *C.*

Naples, Ap. 24. 'Tis written from Aversa, that a Minim Fryar, who preached last Lent in one of the Parish Churches, was lately murdered by a desperate fellow, whose mistress was determined by his sermons to leave off her wicked course of life. *C.*

Saturday, *May* 22.

This day arrived the Mail due from Holland.

Paris, May 20. 'Tis now assur'd, that the Count de Broglio will not return to London, nor is it yet known whether his Majesty will send another so soon in his place. *L E.*

Monday, *May* 24.

Yesterday arrived a Mail from France *and 2 from* Flanders.

Brussels, May 24. The great fall in the Actions of the Ostend Company much embarasses the Stock-jobbers, many of whom are unable to pay their engagements. The Actions are now at no price, for want of buyers. *D J.*

Vienna, May 16. A considerable quantity of gold was brought hither a few days ago from the mines in Transylvania, in order to be coined into ducats. *Ibid.*

Turin, May 16. The King has forbid all the Bishops to ordain any Priests without his express permission. The displeasure against the Court of Rome encreases daily; and the inhabitants of the Fiefs in dispute, quietly enjoy the free exercise of their religion, notwithstanding the Pope's Excommunication. *Ibid.*

Seville, May 4. His Majesty's resolutions with regard to the last Vienna Treaty, are not yet known, nor like to be 'till the return of the Courier dispatch'd on the 2d instant by his Excellency M. Keen to London. Mean while conferences are daily repeated, and the Count de Rothembourg is highly caressed at Court. We learn from St. Andero, that two Men of War are finishing there with all Expedition, to be sent to Cadiz, together with two more built at Santona. *D P.*

Paris. Not long since, there arrived a Monk in the habit of a Recollect, who assumed the name of *Brother James.* He came from the Country, furnished with Certificates, on purpose, as he affirmed, to instruct the Surgeons of Paris in a more easy and successful method of cutting for the stone, than that of *Marianus.* He went to Fontainebleau, where the Court then resided, and got himself introduced to the King's Physician, who recommended him to the other Court Physicians as a very extraordinary person. —— At this place he extracted a stone from a boy, in the *Lateral* way, in the presence of several Physicians. This operation made a great noise: the Operator was look'd upon as a person more than mortal, and inspired with a

divine gift of cutting. — The Court removing to Paris, he attended his zealous Patrons, who obtain'd for him the liberty of cutting in the Hoſpitals there; where at different times he performed 50 operations. But the number of the dead far exceeded that of the living; and thoſe that had the hard fortune of ſurviving were in an exceeding miſerable condition.— The diſſection of the dead bodies was a ſufficient proof, that the deaths were owing ſolely to the *lateral* ſection. —— He was a bold operator, and had a dexterity of extraction: he minded not what parts he cut, or lacerated, ſo that he could but pull out the ſtone: which having done, he ſaid, I have taken out the ſtone, God will cure. ——— He uſed to go from city to city, and indiſcriminately cut all that offered, and left them as ſoon as the operation was finiſhed: hence proceeded the number of his Certificates. Had the Royal Phyſicians ſuſpended their judgment, 'till the boy had been cured at Fontainebleau, their teſtimonials had not been ſo favourable to this *lateral* Extractor: that very Boy languiſhed and died not long after, through that operation. *P.*

TUESDAY, *May* 25.

Yeſterday arrived the Mail from Holland.

Vienna, May 19. Some Veſſels belonging to Venice having lately attacked an Imperial ſhip in the Adriatick, the Emperor has cauſed the Venetian Embaſſador to be inform'd, that if ſatisfaction be not immediately made for that affront, his Imperial Majeſty will have recourſe to force of arms. 'Tis even ſaid, that orders have been diſpatched to the Troops quarter'd on the frontiers of the Milaneze, conſiſting of 7000 men, to hold themſelves in a readineſs to march on the firſt notice, in caſe of a refuſal, to Legnano and Crema. *D P.*

WEDNESDAY, *May* 26.

Hage, May 25. N. S. France has been explicite enough to let us know the acceſſion of the Republick to the Treaty of Vienna would not be taken well. In ſhort there is ground to ſuſpect, that the Marq. de Fenelon has orders to propoſe to their High Mightineſſes a Treaty of Alliance between them, France, and Spain; wherein his moſt Chriſtian Majeſty would engage the Catholick King to grant this Republick the ſame advantages in point of trade to America as the ſubjects of England at preſent enjoy. *P.*

Extract of private letters from Paris. —— It is now ſaid, the Count de Rotembourg has brought the Queen of Spain over, by perſuading her, that Spain would be the victim of the new Treaty, and that, beſides, the fate of Don Carlos would be left doubtful, notwithſtanding the ſpecious appearances of their ſettling him in Italy. —— This Crown is reſolved to attempt to ſtrike up a new Alliance with Spain and Holland: for tho' the Engliſh and Dutch ſeem to be inſeparable, yet ſo irritated are our Miniſters againſt the former, that they will have ſo many fine promiſes to make, and ſo many advantages to offer in point of Trade, that they are perſuaded the Hollanders will liſten to them at leaſt, if they do not readily come into their propoſals. *Ibid.*

Naples, May 8. On the 5th inſtant the feaſt of the tranſlation of S. Januarius, Patron of this city, they made here a general proceſſion, at which aſſiſted all the Eccleſiaſtical orders both ſecular and regular: they carried therein the blood of that Saint, which was afterwards placed on an altar in preſence of the Viceroy and Vice rein, who went thither to ſee the ordinary miracle of the liquefaction of that blood, put oppoſite to his head, which was carried thither the ſame day, but it did not pleaſe God to grant us that favour; for in drawing the blood out of the urn, they found it already liquified in the Ampoulle, or glaſs veſſel. The ſame thing happened the next day, but yeſterday the blood being found coagulated, they put it oppoſite to the head, and had then the conſolation of ſeeing it liquify in 10 minutes, which cauſed extraordinary joy to all the inhabitants. *D J. C.*

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